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- ▶ You need:
 - ▶ The Lightning Thief book
 - ▶ Picture Dictionary
 - ▶ Ancient Greece folder
 - ▶ Packet
 - ▶ A great attitude!

Quick Write

- ▶ Use 1/2 sheet of notebook paper (share with a friend) and answer the following question:
- ▶ *In Ancient Times, the Greeks had gods for many important forces in their lives--the sea, thunderstorms, farming, music, medicine, poetry, archery, etc. Why do you think they imagined many different gods rather than just one? Would this make life more confusing or less confusing?*



Athens and Sparta

Similarities and Differences

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Using your packet....

- ▶ Locate Athens and Sparta on a map
- ▶ Name the bodies of water around Athens and Sparta
- ▶ What other city-states were located close to Athens and Sparta

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- ▶ Voted on issues of war and peace

But....what was the assembly?

- ▶ All Athenian citizens were allowed to participate in the Assembly
- ▶ Members would debate the proposal or issue
- ▶ Voted by holding up their hands
- ▶ The assembly had the power to ostracize or banish citizens who might pose a danger to the polis.

Who was the strategoi?

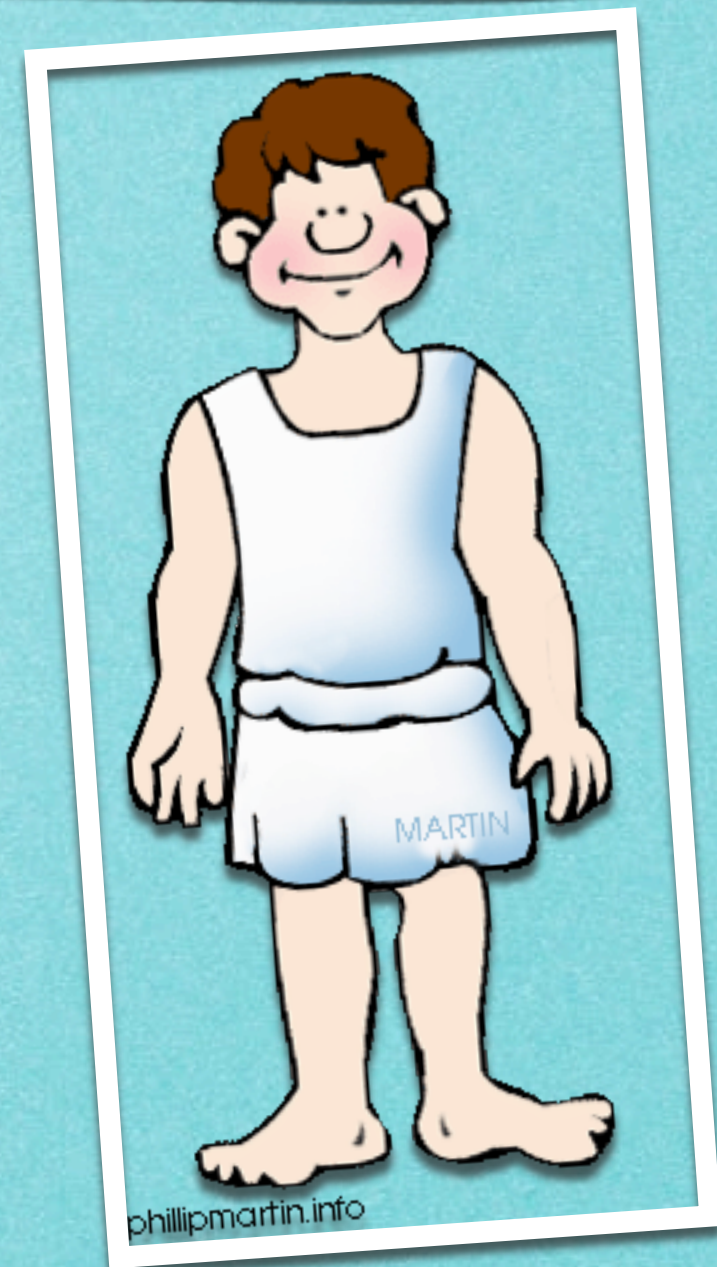
- ▶ A board of ten generals that directed the army.

Who was allowed to be
members of the assembly?

▶ ALL Athenian
citizens

What were the four things that were required in order to be considered an Athenian citizen?

- ▶ Male
- ▶ At least 18 years old
- ▶ Not a slave
- ▶ Son of two Athenian parents



What about the women?



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Women in Athens

- ▶ Women played an important role in religious affairs
- ▶ Held no political rights
- ▶ Could not participate in debates in the Assembly
- ▶ Could not attend certain public events
- ▶ Were not sent to school
- ▶ Could not own property
- ▶ Were always under the control of a man (husband, father, brother or grown-up son)
- ▶ Male relative decided who the women would marry
- ▶ Expected to bear children and attend to their families

What was the Boule?

- ▶ A smaller council that helped the Assembly.

Why was education important to Athenians?

- ▶ The purpose of education was so that....
 - ▶ all Athenians could participate in government
 - ▶ prepared men to be well-rounded citizens

What were the two most important Greek epic poems and who wrote them?

- ▶ The Iliad
- ▶ The Odyssey
 - ▶ Written by Homer

Vocabulary Alert

- ▶ What were Metics (MET ihks)
- ▶ Metics were foreign residents who played an important role in the Athenian economy.
 - ▶ Artisans, craftsmen or merchants
 - ▶ Often presented with honorary citizenship but few became actual citizens

SLAVES

- ▶ The slaves lives were so much worse than all other people
- ▶ Made up 1/3 of the population
- ▶ Slaves cleaned, shopped, cooked, carried water, washed clothing and helped to raise children.
- ▶ Sometimes slaves were educated so they could teach the children of the family
- ▶ Other slaves were accomplished musicians who provided entertainment
- ▶ No slaves had political rights
- ▶ Slaves could sometimes earn freedom, but could never become citizens

Education in Athens

- ▶ All citizens learned rhetoric (the art of using language, especially to persuade other)
- ▶ Athenian schools taught logic, reading, writing, arithmetic and music
- ▶ Memorized sections from the epic poems; The Iliad and The Odyssey
- ▶ Every young man spent two years in military instruction as well as many years of physical education

Exercise

- ▶ All males exercised in a gymnasium
- ▶ This was a parklike area outside the city
- ▶ Exercised in the nude
- ▶ The word gymnasium comes from a greek word meaning “to exercise naked”

